

The continuous consolidation of media sources into the hands of a few corporations violates the intent of the "the airways belong to the people" thesis long espoused by the U.S. government. As it currently stands the U.S. public is ill served by corporate ownership of the media. Censorship by omission, deliberate mis-reporting and mis-writing of news releases, the creation of news by the media corporations themselves, the constant uncritical printing of governmental media releases is not a "free" press. In fact current standards of media ownership and access should be changed so that truly independent sources, such as Radio Pacifica, Democracy Now and Free Speech TV, are required counterbalances to the current offerings of corporate sponsored utterings of government press releases. In peace. Jack & Fay Bussell